

HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION AND DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE

Special Session

HEARING AGENDA

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 14, 2007 12:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M.

Tower, Room 550 200 East Santa Clara Street San José, CA

COMMISSION MEMBERS

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Good afternoon, my name is **Ed Janke**, and I am the Chair of the Historic Landmarks Commission. On behalf of the Commission, I would like to welcome you to today's meeting. I will now call to order the *November 14, 2007* meeting of the Historic Landmarks Commission. Please remember to turn off your cell phones and pagers.

If you want to address the Commission, fill out a speaker card (located at the technician's station), and give the completed card to the technician. Please include the agenda item number for reference.

The procedure for public hearings is as follows:

- After the staff report, applicants may make a five-minute presentation.
- Anyone wishing to speak in favor of the proposal should prepare to come forward. After the proponents speak, anyone wishing to speak in opposition should prepare to come forward. *Each speaker will have two minutes*.
- Commissioners may ask questions of the speakers. These questions will not reduce the speaker's time allowance.
- The Commission will then close the public hearing. The Historic Landmarks Commission will take action on the item.

The procedure for referrals is as follows:

- Anyone wishing to speak on a referral should prepare to come forward. *Each speaker will have one minute*.
- Commissioners may ask questions of the speakers. These questions will not reduce the speaker's time allowance.
- The Historic Landmarks Commission will comment on the referral item.

If a Commissioner would like a topic to be addressed under one of the Good and Welfare items, please contact Planning staff in advance of the Commission meeting.

An agenda and a copy of all staff reports have been placed on the table for your convenience.

SESSION I: DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE (Noon to 12:30)

Committee Members:

Ed Janke, HLC Chair Patricia Colombe, HLC Vice Chair Scott Cunningham

<u>Design Review Committee (DRC) meeting goal</u>: Discuss project design conformance with City of San Jose Historic Design Guidelines, based on the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties

Projects for review:

1. **Ryland Park swimming pool rehabilitation.** The proposed public project consists of addition of a wheelchair access ramp and a concrete platform to the exterior of the existing wading pool. The proposed ramp would ascend to the height of the existing pool walls and then descend into the pool. The platform would extend around fifty percent of the pool's perimeter. The project includes restoration of the existing historic pool wall, including the ceramic tilework.

The project site is located in Ryland Park, a 3.1-acre City park located between North 1st Street and North San Pedro Street. It is bounded on the south by a private street (Ryland Park Drive), and by a housing development to the north.

The draft historic report included information that the 1927 park and wading pool were designed by prominent local architect Charles S. McKenzie, and that the site would appear to qualify as a Structure of Merit. The project was presented to DRC in September 2007. Subsequent to that meeting, the historic report was revised to indicate that the pool qualifies as a Candidate City Landmark. The historic report and City of San Jose Historic Resources Inventory (HRI) designation were presented to the full Historic Landmarks Commission in October 2007. HLC designated the pool as a Candidate City Landmark and requested that the project return to DRC for a recommendation on the organization and sectioning of the proposed concrete platform.

The revised historic evaluation for the project is available on the Parks, Recreation, and Neighborhood Services Department's web site: http://www.sanjoseca.gov/prns/Aquatics/ryland.asp

SESSION II: HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION

1. ROLL CALL

2. REFERRALS FROM CITY COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS OR OTHER AGENCIES:

a. Report on Funding Opportunity Discussions for BART Station Entrance in the Bank of Italy Building. City Landmark No. HS84-27, located on the southeast corner of South First and Santa Clara Streets (12 South First Street) in the Downtown Commercial National Register Historic District.

Staff Recommendation: Historic Landmarks Commission to forward an Informational Memorandum regarding the project to the City Council.

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b. <u>DEIR for Coleman Avenue/Autumn Street Improvements</u> to widen Coleman Avenue to six lanes between Hedding Street and Autumn Street, a distance of approximately 0.8 mile (PP06-166). The segment of Coleman Avenue is currently four lanes. North of Hedding Street, Coleman Avenue has recently been widened to six lanes as part of the I-880/Coleman Avenue Interchange Improvement Project. The project will widen, partially realign, and extend Autumn Street between Coleman Avenue and Park Avenue, a distance of approximately 1.1 miles. Autumn Street currently varies from two to three lanes and terminates north of Julian Street.

Staff Recommendation: Historic Landmarks Commission to provide comment and authorize the HLC Chair to sign a DEIR comment letter on behalf of the commission, to the Director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement.

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c. <u>Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Carlysle project, file no. H07-008</u>. Site Development Permit for a high-rise mixed-use project consisting of 347 dwelling units, approximately 11,500 square feet of commercial space, and underground and podium-level parking on a 1.3-acre site.

Staff Recommendation: Historic Landmarks Commission to provide comment and authorize the HLC Chair to sign a comment letter on behalf of the commission, to the Director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement.

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3. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Public comments to the Historic Landmarks Commission on non-agendized items. Each member of the public may address the Commission for up to two minutes. The Commission cannot take any formal action without the item being properly noticed and placed on an agenda. In response to public comment, the Historic Landmarks Commission is limited to the following options:

- 1. Responding to statements made or questions posed by members of the public; or
- 2. Requesting staff to report back on a matter at a subsequent meeting; or
- 3. Directing staff to place the item on a future agenda.
- a. Public Comment

4. ADJOURNMENT OF HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION HEARING